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Ku Klux Klan Challenged In AFL Southern Drive

CHARLESTON, S. C. (AFLN)—A blunt challenge to the Ku Klux Klan on the issue of freedom for all workers, without regard to race, color or creed, was hurled by AFL President William Green in an address before the annual convention of the South Carolina State Federation of Labor.

Spurring the drive throughout the South to add 1,000,000 members to the rolls of the AFL within the next year, Mr. Green declared:

"The final principle upon which our organization drive here is based is that it will offer the benefits of unionism to all workers.

"Let us make ourselves entirely clear on this point. The decent people of the South do not hate the Negro, nor do they wish to deny him opportunity for economic advancement. Race hatred has no place in America, nor in the trade union movement. The secret forces which seek to foment race hatred and prejudice are the very same as those which stir up antagonism against unions.

"The pioneers in our Labor Movement fought and overcame enemies who skulked behind masks and white sheets and who sought to terrorize union organizers by fiery crosses and threats of lynching. Such Fascist forces are hostile to the high traditions of American freedom. The American Federation of Labor is going to continue fighting them and their hateful philosophies until they are eradicated.

"During the past few years, Organized Labor has been forced to defend itself against a vicious hate campaign which culminated in a widespread series of attempts to impair the freedom of American workers and American trade unions by enactments of Congress and a number of State Legislatures.

"This campaign has been cleverly directed by a sinister combination of reactionary interests, including wealthy employers, corrupt politicians and racketeering promoters.

"The American Federation of Labor has succeeded in the last few weeks in halting these anti-Labor forces in their tracks in Washington. The President vetoed the Case Bill. Congress, in turn, has decided to let the President's strike-control bill die.

"This drive in the South will revive industrial and agricultural activity in this area by creating greater purchasing power and wider markets. It will help to promote the economic and social welfare of the entire Nation.

"Trying to maintain a prosperous industry and agriculture without high purchasing power is just as futile as attempting to run an engine without fuel. It cannot be done.

"But where Labor is well-organized and union wages are paid, a different picture presents itself. With greater purchasing power come higher standards of living, thriving business and more prosperous farming. The benefits accrue not only to Labor but to the entire community."

NAM Rejects Labor Probe

WASHINGTON (AFLN)—Betraying its fear of an honest inquiry into the real causes of Labor disputes, the National Association of Manufacturers rejected an invitation to testify at public hearings of the House Labor Committee. In an attempt to evade the issue, the NAM declared it did not believe further Congressional studies necessary and urged immediate passage of anti-Labor legislation.

Representative Kelley (D., Pa.) chairman of the Labor subcommittee conducting the investigation, wrote to Walter B. Weisenberger, NAM executive vice-president, saying: "The subcommittee dislikes to bring a charge of contempt against the National Association of Manufacturers and hopes your decision may be reconsidered."

Real Collective Bargaining

A wage settlement affecting approximately 1100 employees in San Francisco cleaning and dye houses was announced by Henry Romiguere, business representative of Cleaning and Dye House Workers' Union, No. 7. The union's negotiating committee presented to employers a request for 20 cents an hour across the board increase. After negotiating with the employer group, a compromise was struck and an increase of 12 cents per hour obtained. The settlement demonstrates what union committees and employer groups can, in peaceful negotiations, arrive at. The contract is for one year.

Recipe!

Place in the Senate of the United States a man, let us say, like "Pass-the-Biscuits Pappy" Lee O'Daniel. Get a situation where a price hold-the-line instrument wholly inadequate receives the veto of the President of the United States. Then have a simple resolution introduced in the Senate to take temporary steps to block run-away inflation and have a distinguished gentleman like O'Daniel place an objection against the wishes of the majority to do something for the "little people" of this Nation. That is the first ingredient to any of the radical isms. Add to the above recipe the fear of run-away prices. Let the people see prices of the plainest of the necessities of life climb beyond their reach. Add fear of being forced to pay out-of-the-question rents or be evicted from modest homes and apartments because a small selfish group of landlords want to extract a few extra pennies. Need we say more.

Our great wartime President, Franklin D. Roosevelt, expressed the situation when he said, "We have to fear fear itself." People driven to extremes will take the sucker bait offered by extreme groups. We call upon members of Congress of the United States to "smack" down the selfish and extreme element in their group who are blocking legislation to protect wage earners, and their families from the awful spectre of runaway inflation. In the Government of the United States are men who have their eyes open and are not looking out of the corner of those eyes on the 1948 elections. The present situation calls for putting into practice those immortal words of Abe Lincoln: "... that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

Street C. Cal. State Library Pay

Members of the CIO deserted the radical left wing element of their union and agreed to accept the Board of Supervisors' offer. Members of the AFL union will vote Wednesday noon on the same proposal.

After admitting the strike situation of the local street carmen had gotten out of hand by the disruptive tactics of a few people despite all efforts to avert such a possibility, AFL leaders called for the members of the union to get their feet under the table.

The disruptive tactics came Monday evening at a meeting of the AFL carmen in the Labor Temple, when persons not members of the union, or the AFL, gained admission to a membership meeting. Officers of the union were conferring with Labor Council leaders at the time the meeting started. On assuming his place on the platform, Business Representative Douglas was forced to state a motion that had for its purpose a unity move on the part of the AFL union and the CIO union. The motion was carried by a large majority. The members adjourned their meeting and later met in a meeting with the CIO union with Douglas presiding briefly. Joint chairmen were chosen, one AFL, the other CIO. Mayor Lapham addressed the meeting, explaining his position.

Charges were made after the meeting that CIO disruptive groups are endeavoring to take control. The same charge is made that Communists are doing likewise. Garret McEnerney, speaking over the radio, charged that the recall group opposing Lapham was behind the strike. Consensus of opinion is that his radio speech did not help the matters.

CIO carmen leader, Henry Foley, voiced the opinion that there was a possibility of a general strike to enforce the carmen's demands. AFL leaders expressed the opinion that there is no basis for such a statement by Foley.

The Board of Supervisors has proposed a charter amendment that would permit wage increases requested being placed on the ballot in the November election. The proposal would carry a retroactive clause which would make the wage increases retroactive to July 1, 1946. The proposal has the endorsement of AFL leaders in face of certain sections of the city charter which it is said cannot be legally hurdled.

N.Y. Teachers' President

NEW YORK (AFLN)—Mrs. Rebecca C. Sinonson, who has been president of the New York Teachers' Guild (AFL) for the past five years, has been re-elected for the sixth term.

Jewell, Rail Union Chief, Retires After 28 Years

WASHINGTON (AFLN)—Bert M. Jewell, for 28 eventful years the battling champion of the AFL railroad brotherhoods, has stepped down as president of the Railway Employees' Department of the Federation and has turned over the reins to Fred N. Aten, vice-president of the Carmen. Aten has been his chief aide for the last two years.

Jewell, one of the most militant leaders in the AFL movement, was on the firing line in every major engagement of railroad workers for improved working conditions and higher wages through more than a quarter of a century.

Starting his apprenticeship as a boilermaker at the age of 19 in the shops at High Springs, Fla., for what is now the Atlantic Coast Line, Jewell completed his training 41 years ago and joined the Boilermakers' Union. Thereafter he became a "boomer," roaming the country and spreading the gospel of unionism wherever he went.

In August, 1918, Jewell moved to the position he was destined to hold for the next 28 years. He was named acting president of the Railway Employees' Department, substituting for A. O. Wharton.

Jewell was elected full-fledged president in 1922.

In the subsequent years he played a commanding role in every major wage movement on the railroads, as well as in many brilliant battles for legislation fought by the rail unions.

What will he do next? "Oh, just rest and take things easy for a while," he says.

Local OPA Rent Item

Here is an important message for landlords and tenants. Immediate rent increases or evictions are against the law. Although OPA rent controls no longer apply, tenants are still protected by California law. Landlords must give tenants legal notice before raising the rent. If you pay your rent by the month, you are entitled to a month's notice before your rent can be increased; a week's notice, if you pay by the week. If you have a lease, your rent cannot be raised until the lease expires, providing the lease does not contain a waiver. Tenants are also protected against immediate eviction under California law. The period of notice for eviction ranges from three days upward, depending on the grounds. A landlord must still obtain a court order if a tenant resists eviction. Landlords and tenants should become familiar with the State rent laws, in order to avoid violations.

May Building Contracts Up

NEW YORK (ILNS)—F. W. Dodge Corporation reported that construction contracts awarded in the 37 States east of the Rocky Mountains attained an all-time peacetime high in May. The total of all contracts was \$952,418,000, which was exceeded only once before during the wartime peak of June, 1942, when contracts totaled \$1,190,264,000. The previous highest peacetime volume was \$667,097,000, reported in May, 1928.

Unfair Coffee Firm

No change in the status of Farmer Bros. Coffee Company's attitude toward squaring themselves with teamsters' joint councils in 11 Western States is reported. Locally the firm is on the "We Don't Patronize List" of the San Francisco Labor Council following a request to place them on the list by Retail Delivery Clerks, No. 278, AFL. The firm supplies coffee to restaurants, hotels and bars. When you ask for that cup of coffee, remember this item.

Urges Rent Control Action

State Senator Jack Shelly, candidate for Lieutenant Governor at the November election, has wired Governor Warren urging a special session of the Legislature be called to enact legislation against rent-raising in the State. Like action was taken by the Board of Supervisors in San Francisco on Wednesday.

Tobacco Workers Wage Increase

WINSTON-SALEM (ILNS)—The Brown and Williamson Tobacco Co. and the Tobacco Workers' International Union announced here they had settled their contract dispute with an agreement providing wage increases up to 10 cents an hour in the company's plants at Louisville, Ky.; Petersburg, Va., and Winston-Salem.

20,000,000 Jobs Seen In Great Britain

LONDON (AFLN)—Britain will have a total of 20,000,000 people at work by the end of this year, when it is hoped that pre-war levels of domestic consumption will be reached. Herbert Morrison, Lord President of the Council, told a conference of employers and trades unionists. Approximately 15,500,000 are employed at present on work for home and export markets.

Mr. Morrison said that, with the huge domestic reconstruction and export program, 20,000,000 workers would not be enough. To reach the export target, fixed at a level to pay for what must be imported, the export labor force must be built up to about 1,600,000, compared with 1,200,000 before the war, he declared. At the end of the year there will be 1,200,000 in the armed forces and 500,000 engaged in making their supplies while building will employ 1,400,000, he said.

Book Review

Recently we had the opportunity to read a volume containing what the author, Gordon Bevan, termed "four books in one." The book could be likened to a scrap book of press dispatches, jokes and other material concerned with the world during the war days. We found it refreshing and interesting. Especially were the quotations dealing with national and international problems. Every member of the family would enjoy reading this volume for the presentation of its contents has a family-wide appeal. Mr. Bevan retails his book at \$1.00, procurable from him at Balboa Hotel, 120 Hyde Street, city. Proceeds of the sale of the book will be turned over to the Food Relief Committee to assist in purchasing food for the European peoples.



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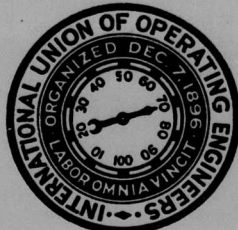
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Union Label Column

Having as its watchword, "Efficiency Is Our Motto," the work of Operating Engineers covers a great many operations in our life that little thought is given to when one sees the finished product. Take for instance, the use of hoisting and portable engines used in building, paving and construction work, or the work of excavating and sewer work. When those jobs are in course of construction, you and I line the railing and marvel at the



dexterity of the man handling the machinery necessary for those jobs. We seldom think of a union label or a seal. So, give a look at the seal of the Operating Engineers here presented and remember, in their line of work, their union means just as much to them as yours means to you.

Former ITU Official Dies

NEW YORK (ILNS)—Austin Hewson, former president of New York Typographical Union No. 6, and former vice-president of the International Typographical Union, died June 26 of a heart attack at his summer home near Cairo, N. Y. He was 57. Hewson, who was born in Brooklyn, learned the printing trade in New York and worked as a member of the composing room staff of *The World* until the sale of that newspaper in 1931. Since that time he had been employed by the *Daily News*. He served on various committees of both Local 6 and the international union, and in 1918 was elected a delegate to the international convention at Scranton. He was elected second vice-president of the international union in 1924 and re-elected in 1926.

May Industrial Expansion

May industrial development for Northern California and the San Francisco Bay Region exceeded May 1945 developments by more than \$3,000,000, according to a report released Wednesday, June 26, by the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce. May 1946 data show a total of 132 new plants and expansions costing \$9,695,618, while last year's figures for May were 65 projects for a total investment of \$6,035,000.

Total development up to June 1, 1946, in terms of outlays nearly doubled the new plants and expansions for the same period in 1945. Following is a comparison of number of projects and expenditures for each period:

January to May, 1945		January to May, 1946	
Projects	Outlays	Projects	Outlays
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Haggerty Thanks Local Convention Committee

The following letter of thanks was received by Council Secretary John A. O'Connell from C. J. Haggerty, secretary of the California State Federation of Labor:

"Will you please convey the thanks and deep appreciation of the official family of the State Federation of Labor, the delegates in attendance at our recent convention here in the City of San Francisco, and the undersigned, for the splendid service rendered by the Labor Council local convention committee on arrangements and the very helpful work accomplished by its members. The delegates and their friends were highly gratified and pleased with the excellent arrangements made for the business session of the convention as well as with the manner in which their personal comfort was cared for in hotel accommodations and the outstanding social events which were so capably handled.

"Due to the fine co-operation given to the undersigned, the task of organizing this convention was made much easier, and I would like to express my personal thanks to the membership of the committee, as through their untiring efforts this convention was a complete success.

"Trusting you will make known the deep appreciation which I feel for the work of your committee, I am yours fraternally,

"C. J. HAGGERTY, Secretary."

Industry Boom in New Jersey

TRENTON (AFLN)—Harry C. Harper, State Labor Commissioner, announced that between March and April of this year the manufacturing industry of New Jersey registered its largest monthly increase since V-J Day. Most of the 85,600 new employees added to the payrolls increased employment more than 13 per cent, making a total of 737,600 employed in April.

Mr. Harper's joint report of the U. S. and State Labor Departments pointed out that the 737,600 was still 122,200 below the figure for April, 1945, and 228,300 or 23.6 per cent below the figure for April, 1945, and 228,300 or 23.6 per cent below the wartime peak of 956,900 in September, 1943. The greatest increase came in the durable goods industries.

Labor Day Parade Officers

The following are serving as officers for the 1946 Labor Day Labor Council Parade Committee:

President—Thomas A. Rotell, Molders' 164.

Vice-President—Dewey Mead, Painters' 1158.

Secretary—John A. O'Connell, S. F. Labor Council.

Assistant Secretary—John H. Smith, Building Trades Council.

Sergeant-at-Arms—Edward McLaughlin, Teamsters' 85.

Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms—Mario Crossetti, Shipfitters' 9.

National Conventions

July 8 will see commencement of three large conventions of Labor organizations. The Washington State Federation of Labor gets under way in Spokane; in Chicago the International Brotherhood of Firemen and Oilers. On July 1 the American Flint Glass Workers' Union met at Champagne, Ill.



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State Employment Rolls Rose Moderately in May

Factory employment in California manufacturing industries as a whole rose moderately to 425,200 in May from 424,300 in April. The current level compares with 669,700 manufacturing wage earners in May 1945 and 1,100 in May 1940.

Seasonal contraction in canning, and losses in apparel and rubber products were primarily responsible for a decrease in factory employment in California nondurable goods industries as a whole to 189,700 in May from 192,900 the preceding month. The current level, however, represents the highest May employment in these industries on record and compares with 188,000 wage earners in May 1945 and 143,300 in May 1940.

Employment in printing and publishing established a new peak in May with 17,800 production workers. The paper products group also reached an all-time high with 8,300 factory workers in May.

Gains in the lumber, iron and steel, and machinery industries more than offset losses in aircraft and furniture, so that factory employment in durable goods industries combined increased by 4100 to 235,500 production workers in May from 231,400 in April. The number of wage earners at work in durable goods industries this May, however, was substantially below the year-ago total of 481,700 and the August 1943 high of 729,500 factory workers, but well above the pre-war level of 157,800 in May 1940.

California aircraft plants employed 47,200 wage earners in May compared with 47,800 in April, 141,200 in May 1945, 244,700 at the April 1943 peak, and 34,700 in May 1940. The number of production workers in private shipyards in the State remained almost unchanged between April and May at around 32,700 as increases in the north just about offset decreases in the south. A year ago, production workers in the industry numbered 155,900.

Estimates of the number of production workers in manufacturing industries in California and in the Los Angeles and San Francisco Bay industrial areas in May 1946, April 1946, May 1945, and May 1940 follow:

		May 1946	April 1946	May 1945	May 1940
California:	All manufacturing	425,200	424,300	669,700	301,100
	Nondurable goods	189,700	192,900	188,000	143,300
	Durable goods	235,500	231,400	481,700	157,800
Los Angeles Industrial Area:	All manufacturing	218,200	222,800	346,800	146,800
	Nondurable goods	91,800	93,200	92,800	64,300
	Durable goods	126,400	129,600	254,000	82,500
San Francisco Bay Industrial Area:	All manufacturing	110,900	106,300	193,400	81,200
	Nondurable goods	53,700	54,000	52,900	46,100
	Durable goods	57,200	52,300	140,500	35,100

Including administrative, supervisory, sales, technical, and office personnel, and force-account construction workers, it is estimated that approximately 595,000 persons were employed in manufacturing plants in California in May 1946. This compares with 594,000 in April 1946 and 878,000 in May 1945.

Committees for Labor Day Parade Are Named

To the following committees will be directed matters pertaining to their particular part in formulating the Labor Day parade on September 2. The committees and personnel are:

Music Committee—Elmer Hubbard, Eddie Burns and Art Weidner, all of Musicians' Union, No. 6.

Float Committee—Tom Hughes, Sign Painters' 510; Jack Smith, Building Trades Council; George Ward, Theatrical Stage Employees' 16, and Anthony Costa, Chauffeurs' 265.

Uniform Committee—Andy Ahern, Garment Cutters' 45; Nellie Casey, Garment Workers' 131; Gus Kirchner, Hatters' 31, and Henry Zacharin, Ladies' Garment Cutters' 213.

Committee to Procure Speakers for Labor Day—Charles Foeht, Electrical Workers' 6; Edward McLaughlin, Teamsters' 85; Thomas A. Rotell, Molders' 164, and John A. O'Connell, Labor Council.

Vets' Problem—Unemployment

NEWARK (AFLN)—The main problem of veterans today is unemployment, Shane MacCarthy, assistant administrator for retraining and re-employment in the U. S. Labor Department, told the annual national convention of the Catholic War Veterans.

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Shades of Bikini—Atom Workers Form Council

ATLANTA (AFLN)—A co-ordinated council representing all AFL international unions has been organized at Oak Ridge, base of atomic bomb research and development. AFL craft unions engaged on the project were given verbal recognition during the war and agreed to waive the usual contract requirements at the request of the War Department because of the extreme secrecy concerning construction of the bomb.

The War Department now has released restrictions sufficiently to permit an NLRB election among the workers.

The election will be directed for the AFL by its Atomic Trades and Labor Council, which will be in charge of all organization activities.

D. C. Printer Heads Division

WASHINGTON (AFLN)—Jesse B. Manbeck, president of Columbia Typographical Union No. 101 here, has been made chairman of the Labor division of the American Public Relations Association. President William Green of the AFL also is an advisory member of the APRA Labor division.

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Bay Area Labor Week

JUNE 26—AFL Sailors' Union of the Pacific topped recent CIO wartime wage gains; wages retroactive to April 1, 1946, overtime at \$1 per hour retroactive to June 15, 1946.

JUNE 27—California Street Cable Car Employees vote 136 to 2 to join street car strike when and if it becomes a reality; CIO carmen will strike if AFL men go out; Trackmen's Union, No. 251, CIO, taking strike vote.

JUNE 28—Butchers' union contemplating no new move to offset court restraint on peninsula butcher trouble. . . . CMU of CIO screaming to high heaven over SUP wage awards.

JUNE 29—Mayor Lapham hit the local ether ways to explain his position, and declared "this strike is against Government."

JUNE 30—Prospects that local bus companies would be using their vehicles in lieu of street cars was placed in discard because of possibility that chauffeurs union would place a ban on such procedure.

JULY 1—Strike vote against the Southern Pacific will be taken by the yard switchmen and brakemen in an effort to settle some 1600 unsettled grievances against that system.

Employment for Women Increases

WASHINGTON (ILNS)—More women are employed now, and fewer are still unemployed, than before the war, Miss Frieda Miller, head of the Women's Bureau, U. S. Department of Labor, said here.

"The number of women in the civilian labor force dropped by 2,650,000 from last August to May, 1946," she said, adding: "At least a few seasonal workers among them would have dropped out irrespective of V-J Day. The great majority of the rest voluntarily withdrew from the labor force at the war's end. In fact, only 20,000 more women were reported as unemployed and looking for jobs in May, 1946, than in August, 1945."

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June 30, 1946

A momentous date for the historians to record for future generations. The date affected not only the future of the world internationally, but domestically and locally. In sequence, the local street railway men were forced to use strike action, the Bikini atom bomb released new forces, and the OPA died. The first of the June 30, 1946, events will pass without too much hardship. The atom bomb is for the future. The OPA presently and directly is our problem. The well-being of every man, woman and child was affected by the act of Congress in letting their partisanship interfere by not preparing proper restrictive legislation to keep the cost of living halted to the degree that the people of this Nation might at least keep abreast. To plea for restraint on the part of those who set prices individually is so much bunk. To be sure, some will have the welfare of the people at heart, but the vast majority will climb on the gravy train. Labor has pointed out the evils of unharnessed pricing. Labor does not believe that OPA regulations should last forever, but Labor does know what the huge industrial kingdoms would do without the hand of restraint. We hope that Congress will enact some form of restrictive price legislation before this publication is currently circulated. If it does not, wire your members in the Senate and the House of Representatives that you desire them to protect you against the ravishes of runaway inflationary greed of those who would fatten their treasuries. Let Congress know immediately that you want some restrictions on prices..

Bernal Cut Bottleneck

Vehicle traffic during normal times through the Bernal Cut was greatly increased during the street car strike. The city fathers would do well to hasten the widening of that important thoroughfare. It is imperative that the artery to the outer Mission and south to the peninsula be brought up-to-date before the full weight of automobile production catches the city without an adequate highway outlet in that portion of the city.

The Big Lie About Unions

(By Max Zaritsky, President, Hatters' Union)

The enemies of Labor have fabricated the fiction that unions browbeat and terrorize workers in order to force them to join. The pet phrase of a Pegler is that Labor leaders, greedy tyrants all of them, "draggon the faceless slaves" into the unions in order to mulct them of dues and assessments. A worker is "faceless" by his conception and he is a "slave" not of his employers but of the union "tyrants." The truth is, of course, that nobody is so faceless as the non-union worker.

Nobody is more tyrannized, browbeaten, cheated and enslaved than the worker who has to depend for his bread and butter on the grace of an employer and the whim of a straw boss. Instead of being an independent self-confident being, he is forced to be meek and submissive, for he has no say whatever over the conditions of his work and his livelihood.

All of this has to be told and explained to the non-union worker. Confidence must be cultivated and true self-reliance must be taught him. By persuasion, by persistence, by example he must be brought to learn the lesson we who are members of the union have long since learned, that there is no greater sense of freedom and dignity than the one we gain by pooling our strength in the organized community of our fellow workers.

Pictureless Cartoon

National Broadcasting Company's Bob Burns says: "Where I come from it gets so cold that when I put a pail of hot water outside, it freezes so fast the ice is still hot."

'The Big Steal Formula'—Whither Our National Economy?

By ROBERT W. GILBERT
Attorney and Labor Union Consultant

(Concluding Article)

In February, 1946, this writer described the political program of Big Business on the front page of the San Francisco *Labor Clarion*, as follows:

"Both nationally and locally, the Merchants and Manufacturers' Associations have poured millions of dollars into a ceaseless campaign . . . (which) is three-pronged in form:

(1) Introduction of *vicious anti-Labor bills* in Congress and the State legislatures, as well as initiative petitions.

(2) Issuance of *false propaganda* to the effect that 'Labor is in the saddle now, just as Big Business was in the 20's. Unions are rich and powerful and no longer need government protection from the disadvantages of unequal bargaining power.'

(3) Exploitation of shortages of consumer goods, during the reconversion period, to *condemn Organized Labor for all strikes*, and subject unions to bitter editorial criticism."

The power behind this political program of Big Business has been accurately described in the impartial report of the *Smaller War Plants Corporation* to the Senate Committee to Study Problems of American Small Business entitled "Economic Concentration and World War II."

"Most of the giant corporations . . . have influence and controls which extend to medium-sized and small companies and most of them are bound together, in one way or another, through trade associations, and such 'peak' associations as the United States Chamber of Commerce and the National Association of Manufacturers. . . .

"In addition to these, there are the many-sided day-to-day informal conversations, contacts, and meetings held among officials of the large corporations and interest groups, which have the effect of unifying and cementing the attitude of big business on various current issues. A recent example was the meeting at the Waldorf-Astoria in New York early in 1946, called to discuss the strike problem."

Out of the NAM-fostered legislative program has come the *Ball-Burton-Hatch Bill* and the infamous *Case Bill*, recently vetoed by the President, who had been forced to offer "fact-finding" legislation and "cooling-off periods" as an alternative to restrictive legislation. When the first Truman plan failed to appease Big Business, the Chief Executive hysterically proposed *military dictatorship, government seizure, and drafting of strikers into the Armed Forces* in his fantastic speech to Congress on May 25 last.

It is highly significant that the railroad strike was employed as the crisis which stampeded Congress into passing the Case Bill even after the controversy had been settled and the strike ended.

The Senate report on "Economic Concentration" points out that 11 major railroad systems controlling 26 per cent of the first-class rail mileage of the country are members of the largest of eight financial interest groups which together control 106 of the 250 larger corporations in the United States. This powerful corporate set-up known as the Morgan-First National group, includes 13 industrial corporations headed by United States Steel, 12 utility corporations, headed by American Telephone and Telegraph Company, and five financial institutions including J. P. Morgan & Company and the First National Bank of New York.

The next important financial group is that led by Kuhn-Loeb & Company, including 13 major railroads or railroad systems, and the Western Union Telegraph Company.

The danger of restrictive legislation like the Case Bill is by no means past. The clamor against unions to blind the public against the growing dangers of monopolies, like the defeat of OPA, is an essential part of the "Big Steel Formula."

In testifying before the Senate Committee on the Problems of Small American Business on February 28, 1946, in Los Angeles, this writer stated on the record:

"Certainly organizations of Labor and small businessmen must work hand in hand in co-operation in order to secure and achieve successful production . . . the American Federation of Labor has historically insisted that a *fair profit for privately owned enterprises* is a fundamental essential of our type of economy as we have known it and as we hope we will continue to know it; that *fair wages, hours, and working conditions* are the objective of our type of economy; and that *high-quality goods* in sufficient abundance to meet the needs of the populace is another objective. . . ."

Unbridled monopoly is the source of Labor strife—the cause of scarcities—the instigator of inflation. These corporate manipulators of our economy and of our political life ignore anti-trust regulations as easily as they shrug off their duty to bargain collectively with their employees in good faith under the Wagner Act.

The only real defense against such economic tyranny is a strong and united Labor Movement, an enlightened

consuming public, and free and independent organizations of farmers and small businessmen. Since programs of political extremists of the Left or Right are unacceptable, the best defense is still a strong, liberal offensive, as summed up in the traditional watchwords of the American Federation of Labor—

"AGITATE — EDUCATE — ORGANIZE!"

What Makes Good Government?

By RUTH TAYLOR

What is the aim of government? What makes a government good?

Is it the purpose of government to regiment, or regulate, or is it the purpose of government to build up the lives of the greatest number of people?

The subject is one that has challenged the thinkers of the world for ages. But, in the last analysis, in the democratic nations of the world it has been the good of the governed that has been the criterion. Only those countries where the good of the governed has been foremost has that form of government endured.

This does not mean a benevolent dictatorship, with benefits given to the governed at the expense of others—whether groups within the Nation, or in weaker countries to be conquered. That government alone endures which gives to its citizens an opportunity to work out happiness and security for themselves. The officers of government are public servants—and it is only when they forget that fact that danger arises. Government must be selfless social duty, like jury service.

That this ideal of government is the one to be sought after is something which every American knows. It had been proven by the fact that when anything goes wrong, it is to the democracies, to the self-governed peoples, that the rest of the world turns for help and sustenance.

But there is a catch in it. There can be no slackening in this type of government. It must progress. It must keep up with the times, and it must consider the good of the whole people, not of any one group, placing the common good before personal ambition, desires, or prejudices.

In these United States, we, the people, are the government. What it does is what *we* do. How it functions depends upon our co-operation. Its aims are *our* aims. Its every act is up to us. Democracy is based upon the ethical principles of individual integrity and regard for one's neighbors. If we want good government, it is up to us to be good citizens.

Greater Love Hath No Man

From the *Washington Teamster* of Seattle the following is reprinted as a tribute to those who sacrificed above and beyond the call of duty:

AFL workers took a heroic part in rescue work during the disastrous fire at the LaSalle Hotel in Chicago which took the lives of 59 persons and injured 200.

Mrs. Julia Barry, telephone operator who died rather than abandon attempts to notify guests on the upper floors of the fire that spread with amazing speed through the 23-floor building, was a member of Local 593, Hotel and Restaurant Employees' International Alliance, AFL.

Eddie Harrar, 31, a night cleaner and union member, also died in the blaze when trapped on the 22nd floor. All three bellmen on duty at the time of the fire were members of Local 593 and took an active part in rescuing the guests.

Mrs. Barry, 44, who was a widow with a 16-year-old son, ignored warnings of house officers to "get out while you've got a chance" and defied attempts of the assistant manager to take her forcibly from the second floor telephone room after other operators had been persuaded to flee.

"We've got to give those folks on the top floors a chance," Mrs. Barry said, and continued calling hotel rooms. Later firemen found her lying across the switchboard, asphyxiated.

Workers were indignant about newspaper rumors that they were responsible for the delay in putting in an alarm.

The Fire Department charged that the hotel management had been notified of ten fire prevention violations a few weeks before and had not corrected any of them. This was denied.

Unemployment Typotraits

If you are laid off your job, here is what to do: File your claim for unemployment insurance at once, when a layoff comes, to avoid delay in receiving benefits. If you have worked long enough on a job covered by the unemployment compensation law in this State, and if you are able and willing to work, but cannot find a suitable job, you may receive weekly checks to help you bridge the gap from one job to another. For full details on how much you may receive, and for how long you may receive it, see the unemployment compensation claims clerk in the government employment service office nearest your home.

Labor Clarion

Nondurable Goods Jobs Reached Record High

Employment in non-durable goods manufacturing industries in California last month reached the highest May level on record, Paul Scharrenberg, Director of Industrial Relations, announced last week. Factory workers in nondurable goods industries as a whole numbered 189,700 in May compared with 188,000 in May 1945 and 143,300 in May 1940.

Durable goods industries employed 235,500 production workers in May, less than half the May 1945 level of 481,700. The current total, however, is well above May 1940 when 157,800 wage earners were engaged in manufacturing durable goods products.

California aircraft plants employed 47,200 wage earners in May compared with 141,200 a year ago and 34,700 in May 1940.

The number of production workers in private shipyards in the State was 32,600 this May in contrast with 155,900 a year ago.

Bouquets to Screen Writers

The Screen Writers' Guild, Inc., affiliated with Authors' League of America, Inc., publish each month a magazine that can properly be classified as a "Labor Paper." It is perhaps the best of such papers we receive in the *Clarion* office, and by making that statement we do not belittle the many fine Labor papers received. This publication, *The Screen Writer*, is a typographical masterpiece; its content ranges from Labor news to articles by top-notch screen writers discussing their trade. The field of screen writing is covered and presented to the reader in non-technical terms. We recommend to those who derive pleasure from good reading to purchase a copy at Paul Elder & Co., 239 Post street, and see for themselves what this group of people set down on paper. The price is 25 cents per copy.

Eight-State Agreement

DES MOINES (AFLN)—A proposed contract for an eight-State agreement providing uniform wages and working conditions for members of the Teamsters' and Meat Cutters' Unions (AFL) engaged in produce houses was drafted at a two-day conference of produce workers and union leaders here. It would cover workers in this industry in Minnesota, North and South Dakota, Iowa, Nebraska, Wisconsin, Missouri and Kansas and would provide a general 16-cent-an-hour raise; starting pay of 65 cents for women and 75 cents for men; a union shop, with an eight-hour day with time and a half for overtime above eight hours; double time for Sundays or holidays; 15-minute rest periods in the morning and afternoon and vacations of one week for one year of service and two weeks after three years, with sick and accident leaves.

Setback for WFTU

NEW YORK (ILNS)—Soviet Russia's demand for participation of the Communist-CIO dominated World Federation of Trade Unions in the proceedings of the United Nations Economic and Social Council, though without a vote, was rejected by a 6 to 3 vote after a heated debate in the drafting committee.

This was the second Soviet defeat in its attempts to give the WFTU a voice in the council. It has, for the time being, put an end to the efforts of Sidney Hillman, American vice-president of the WFTU, to give the federation a privileged position at the expense of the American Federation of Labor and other unaffiliated trade union movements. The American delegate took the position that the AFL, consumers' and farmers' organizations as well as business groups had equal rights to closest contact with the council.

1,507 Settlements in April

WASHINGTON—U. S. Conciliators assisted in the settlement of 1507 Labor-management disputes in April, it is announced by Edgar L. Warren, Director of the Conciliation Service, U. S. Department of Labor. Involved were 354 strikes, one lockout, 648 threatened strikes and 504 controversies.



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IN SAN FRANCISCO

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Lewis, Manuel—June 27; Operating Engineers' 64.

OUTSIDE SAN FRANCISCO

McCully, Paul P.—In Decoto, Calif., June 29; S. F. Typographical 21.

Swedish Health Bill

STOCKHOLM—A bill offering free hospital care for all Swedes from July 1, 1950, and medicine at half price in connection with compulsory sickness insurance has been introduced by the government. The bill calls for a reimbursement for medical aid and for travel in connection therewith for the entire family and, as a rule, a certain daily payment to the insured person and his wife. This would amount to 3.50 kronor (less than \$1) a day, except for persons under 18 and over 67, in which case it would be 2 kronor. Heads of families would receive, in addition, an extra compensation of 2 kronor a day for his wife and 50 ore for each child under 16 years old living at home. Housewives receive \$1.50 a day, plus one korna for each child 10 years of age. The longest compensation period for each case of illness would be 730 days, but only 90 days for people over 67 years. The payment is 24 kronor a year for all who would receive 3.50 kronor, and 16 kronor for those who would receive 2 kronor. Hospital insurance alone will cost 4 kronor a year. This insurance will become compulsory for every Swede over 16 years old.

\$100,000 in Unpaid Overtime

ATLANTA—Payment of back wages which may total \$100,000 will result from a decision of Atlanta Federal Judge T. Hoyt Davis in ordering the Bibb Manufacturing Co. of Macon, Ga., to reimburse 9000-odd employees for unpaid overtime. The court action, over a bonus plan which the court held violated the Wage and Hour Law, was brought by Administrator L. Metcalfe Walling of the Wage and Hour and Public Contracts Divisions, U. S. Department of Labor.

The disputed plan involved the payment of a \$2.00 weekly attendance bonus for full-time work, but the company failed to include the bonus in computing overtime pay. The Bibb Co. operates 13 textile mills in Georgia and the bonus plan was used in the period from August, 1942, to November, 1945. Judge Davis found that approximately 70 per cent of the company's employees, about 6300 received the bonus each week.

Ratify ILO Conventions

MONTREAL (ILNS)—The International Labor Office announced that Canada had registered its ratification of two international labor conventions registered to date. Sixty-seven have been adopted by the ILO since 1919. The conventions ratified by Canada establish standards to prevent accidents in dock work and for the compilation of statistics on wages and hours of work. Chile ratified the convention forbidding employment of women underground in mines.

The convention on safety in dock work, which came into effect in 1934, had previously been ratified by nine countries; the convention on statistics came into force in 1940 and had previously been ratified by ten countries; the convention on the employment of women in mines has been in force since 1937 and had previously been ratified by 24 countries.

WASHINGTON (AFLN)—Plans to expand the field activities of the Labor Department's Retraining and Re-employment Administration were announced by Maj. Gen. Graves B. Erskine, chief of that agency.

Ex-Stock Broker Named To National Labor Board

WASHINGTON (AFLN)—James J. Reynolds, Jr., 39, once a stock broker who entered the field of industrial relations, was named by President Truman to membership on the National Labor Relations Board.

Mr. Reynolds started as a Wall Street messenger, worked his way up to a partnership in an important brokerage house and quit because he "didn't like to make money that way." He donned overalls as a \$22.50-a-week laborer in the U. S. Pipe & Foundry Co., rose rapidly to foreman, director of industrial relations and, eventually, assistant to the president. He entered the Navy in 1943 and eventually was promoted to special assistant to the Undersecretary, in charge of industrial relations, with the rank of commander.

He will succeed Gerard R. Reilly, who resigned as of the end of his term, effective August 26. Reilly will return to private law practice.

Teamsters Win Chicago Strike

CHICAGO (ILNS)—Recognition as bargaining agent for 3500 warehousemen employed by Spiegel, Inc., was won after a two weeks' strike called by Local 743, International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers' Union against the large Chicago mail order and chain store firm.

International Organizer Henry G. Burger negotiated the settlement in the firm's 14 Chicago warehouses. Terms included a minimum pay raise of \$4 a week, with continued negotiations for pay increases for higher classified employees. The company agreed to withdraw a \$1,000,000 damage suit filed against the union in Chicago courts.

HAMILTON, Bermuda (AFLN)—Under the trade-union bill sent to the House of Assembly by Governor Leatham, "peaceful picketing" would be permitted. Two former Governors appealed in vain to the legislators to provide modern Labor laws.

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Run o' the Hook

By C. M. BAKER,
President of Typographical Union No. 21

Frank A. Aylward, who was obligated as a journeyman member at the September, 1945, meeting of No. 21, died on June 25 at San Francisco Hospital, where he had been a patient for several weeks. Cause of death was cerebral hemorrhage. The deceased member is survived by his widow, his father and mother. The remains were sent to Sioux City, Iowa, the home of his parents.

David Braverman of the Parker chapel was the recipient of congratulations from his fellow workers last week when he proudly announced that a son had been born to Mrs. Braverman and himself. The "young fellow" arrived in the Braverman home on June 17, weighed in at 6 pounds, 11 ounces, and, with Mrs. Braverman, is doing nicely.

Charles Lyon of the Examiner proofroom has returned to his home following a stay of several weeks in Hahnemann Hospital where he underwent a complete physical checkup. "Charley" expects to rest up some time before returning to his situation.

Chairman Ronald Cameron of the Examiner is now vacationing and it is a safe bet that a goodly portion of the vacation will be spent trying out the Bay Area golf links.

According to a compilation by the ANPA, eleven industries each spent more than five million dollars for newspaper advertising space in 1945. The eleven industries in the order of expenditures were: Groceries, alcoholic beverages, toilet requisites, automotive, medical, publications, industrial, transportation, miscellaneous, public utilities, tobacco. Seven of the above groups showed increased expenditures for newspaper advertising over 1944, while four decreases were noted.

Henry E. Thayer, machinist at the Halle-Cordis plant, last week suffered painful injuries to his hand when it was lacerated by a cam on one of the Linotypes. While cleaning the machine, Henry's hand was caught when the operator "sent" in a line. Fortunately no bones were broken, although the skin and flesh on the back of the hand was torn off.

Chairman Guy L. Todd of the Call-Bulletin chapel, left last week for an extended vacation on the "old home" ranch in Wyoming. It is Guy's hope that a sinus condition from which his daughter has been suffering will be alleviated by a stay in the high, dry climate.

According to the California Labor Statistics Bulletin No. 262, the five industries in this State having the highest average weekly earnings for workers are, in order, motion picture producing, \$82.38; newspapers \$60.14; book and job printing, \$58.80; quarrying and non-metallic mining, \$58.40; crude petroleum producing, \$56.20. The "over-all" State average weekly earnings of workers in manufacturing industries (durable and non-durable) was \$50.71 in the month of May, 1946.

The last weekend was a memorable one. First came the demise of OPA with the threat of unbridled inflation, followed by the street car strike and the "big noise" at Bikini. The impending inflation will, unless speedily and effectively curbed, wipe out the workers' savings, make of war bonds mere scraps of paper and destroy whatever wage increases had been heretofore obtained. Our elected representatives apparently have "quit" the battle against rising prices. If the vicious spiral of inflation is to be broken, it will be done by the people—all of us—refusing to be victimized. A buyers' strike appears inevitable. Get in line. Buy only the barest necessities; forego desire; supply only your essential requirements and in 90 days manufacturers and merchants will be deflated and appealing for purchasers—at sensible prices.

The boys played safe! Did you notice that before OPA died, Congress passed a bill "freezing" rents in the District of Washington. Sure, they did. Congressmen and Senators maintain their legal residences back home and are renters in Washington.

On Monday, July 1, Market Street became Main Street!

"Retail Establishment" Defined

NEW YORK—In the light of recent decisions of the Supreme Court and the appellate Federal courts, clarifying the scope and meaning of the term "retail establishment," the Wage and Hour Division of the U. S. Department of Labor holds that chain store warehouses storing merchandise for direct shipment to the customers of several retail stores are not within the exemption from the wage and overtime provisions provided in the Fair Labor Standards Act for retail and service establishments.

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Woman's Auxiliary No. 21 to S. F. Typographical Union No. 21

By J. ANN MCLEOD

Woman's Auxiliary No. 21 to S.F.T.U. No. 21 held its seventh Charter Party in the banquet hall of the Red Men's building, Thursday evening, June 27. The meeting opened with the Lord's Prayer and Salute to the Flag. President Bardsley reviewed the activities of the year, thanking her officers and committees for their co-operation and the members for their generous assistance throughout the year. She recalled the passing of one of our charter members, Nelle Wihr, the first member on our roll to be called by death. After congratulating the new officers and wishing them a happy and successful year, she invited Mrs. Daisy Chilson, president of Woman's International Auxiliary to International Typographical Union and organizer of W.A. 21, to install the incoming officers. President Chilson's talk was complimentary and our members are always happy to have her in attendance. Dorothea Heuring played a piano accompaniment as the newly elected officers entered the hall.

The following officers and committees were installed: President, Loraine Kriese; first Vice-President, Mary E. Haines; Second Vice-President, Nora J. Swensen; Secretary, Grace L. Young; Chaplain, Mabel Porter; Guide, Bertha Bailey. Executive Committee: Myrtle L. Bardsley, Bertha Bailey, Jane Helms, J. Ann McLeod. Auditing Committee: Myrtle L. Bardsley, Augusta Gooler, Nora J. Swensen. Press Correspondent, J. Ann McLeod. (Treasurer Bijou Blade and Florence Reynolds, auditing committee, will be installed at the next regular meeting, as they were unable to attend.)

International President Chilson presented the gavel to President Kriese, with congratulations and best wishes for a successful year. President Kriese then presented outgoing President Myrtle Bardsley with her past president's pin and turned the gavel back to Myrtle Bardsley to complete some unfinished business. W.A. No. 21 voted to award all past officers with guards to be attached to their auxiliary pins to denote the office they had held. Past President Bardsley presented emblematic pins to the following: Past Vice-President's torch to Ruth Begon, Nora Swenson and Laura D. Moore; second vice-president's torch to Mary E. Haines; secretary's quill to Louise Abbott, Grace Young, Myrtle Bardsley and Jane Helms; treasurer's keys to J. Ann McLeod; chaplain's cross to Bertha Bailey and Grace Young, and a guide's sword to Bertha Bailey. Past officers who were unable to attend will receive their pins at a later date.

The following guests were introduced: Marguerite MacLeod, secretary SFTU 21; Joseph P. Bailey, secretary S. F. Mailers' No. 18, and secretary Allied Printing Trades Council; Joseph Green, president, Stereotypers' Union; Charles Crawford, editor Labor Clarion, and Prosperine Soucek, second vice-president, Golden Gate Unit No. 40, American Legion Auxiliary.

President Kriese presented Myrtle Bardsley and outgoing Secretary Jane Helms with beautiful Corde bags, tokens of appreciation from the members for a service well rendered. International President Chilson was given a bouquet of red roses and Grace Young, our label chairman and also international label chairman, was given an orchid, her first. As a gesture of good sportsmanship, Eula Edwards gifted Loraine Kriese with a beautiful orchid. The members of the entertainment committee personally expressed their appreciation to Mary Ann Gooler for her help during the year with a set of silver bangle bracelets.

A novel program by a group of clever youngsters kept everyone interested. Don Brill, Jr., son of Don and Lorna Brill, danced and sang. In the same troupe were Bobby and Coral Pickering, Mary Frances Gonzales, and Bonnie Barross. All clever little dancers. Waunita Viele and young Master Newby played several steel guitar duets, Waunita announcing their selections. Dance music was furnished by Sam Stern's three-piece orchestra. The cutest couple on the floor was tiny Shirley Ann Haines, age 2, and her cousin, Jimmy Vernor, son of Bill Vernor of the Chronicle.

Among the good friends who attended were Fred M. Chilson, Mrs. Ida Fox, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Green, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest (Lucille) Stone, Mrs. Lorna Crawford, Jack Bardsley, Bill Gooler, Harry Porter, H. S. Wilchman, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wilchman, Ernest Stradtman, Bob Vernor, Bill Swensen, Harry Young, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Vernor, Clarence Abbott, Flo Newby, Georgina Christo, Laurel Brozeit, Har-

Mailers' Notes

By LEROY SMITH

"The ITU has been certified as bargaining agent for mailing employees of the Miami, Fla., Daily News. A local also has been organized at Concord, N. H.," says the Chicago Lakeside Bulletin.

One of the writer's New York correspondents writes as follows: "From a reliable source it is learned that President Randolph intends to again appoint a mailer to the Laws Committee for the convention to be held in Miami in August. Max Burns, president of Detroit union, is the leading candidate for the position." Also, "from an eastern source we learn that when President Randolph was in the east conferring with the scale committee of New York Mailers' Union No. 6, he advised them to get in touch with other mailer unions so that a constructive program could be presented to the Miami convention that would benefit all mailers and solidify them in an attempt to advance the working conditions of local mailer unions."

Milwaukee Mailers' Union No. 23 has secured an increase for its newspaper members to \$55.25 days; nights, \$59.25, 37 1/2 hours. Effective April 29, 1946; expires April 28, 1949. Increase 19.33 cents per hour, plus four holidays with pay.

President Randolph defeated Edwards for ITU president 41,418 to 16,817, received the largest vote and the largest majority ever cast for any candidate for president in the history of the ITU.

Local newspaper publishers are providing transportation for their employees to and from work, who have no cars of their own, during the street car strike.

Union Printers Golf Association

By HOOKER SLICE

Playing Tilden Park Sunday and walking in San Francisco because of you know what finds old Hooker Slice somewhat out of energy to complete this week's golf notes. Following are the results, promising a full story next week:

Class A—P. Crebassa, 80-12—68; Cameron, 79-11—68; R. Iusi, 80-11—69.

Class B—L. Brewster, 87-12—66; W. Dye, 86-17—69; E. Darr, 87-18—69.

Class C—J. Godfrey, 98-30—68; E. Gallagher, 94-23—71; J. Otis, 104-30—74.

Guest Flight—R. Slight, 87-17—70; G. Allen 111-35—76; F. Bartell, 89-17—72.

Quarterfinals, championship match play:
W. Dye d. R. Smith, 1 up; C. Stright d. E. Meade, 2 and 1; R. Cameron d. J. Otis, 2 and 1; L. Brewster d. L. Aldrich, 3 and 2; B. Apte d. H. Darr, def.; E. Darr d. J. Conway, 3 up; A. Linkous d. E. Blackford, def.; Gallagher d. A. Teel, 4 and 3.

vey Viele, and Richard Viele. Among the young folks were Bobby Carter, Beverly Bailey, Caroline Heuring, Mary Ann Gooler, Marge Edwards, Lawrence Crawford and Maynard Gooler.

The dancing was interrupted by Roby Wilchman, Chairman of the Entertainment Committee, announcing refreshments, consisting of turkey and dressing prepared by Louise Abbott; corn beef by Augusta Gooler; salads by Roby Wilchman and Betsy Haines; relishes and coffee. An immense birthday cake was placed before President Kriese, who cut and served it to our members and guests. Congratulations to Roby Wilchman and her committee, Louise Abbott, Augusta Gooler, and Betsy Haines who carried on with her foot in a cast; also the special committee, Grace Young, Loraine Kriese, and Eula Edwards, for a very successful affair.

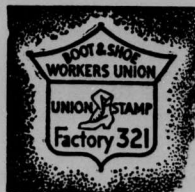
My personal congratulations to Myrtle Bardsley for a successful year, and my best wishes to President Kriese and her officers for the coming year.

The hall was beautifully decorated with flowers from the garden of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wilchman. We extend our thanks and appreciation to these nice people. They transported all of the flowers, food and other supplies for the party, including the immense birthday cake.

Laura D. Moore entertained her brother, H. L. Dwelle and his wife, who stopped over on their annual trip to Calgary, Canada.

Congratulations to Jack and Myrtle Bardsley, who celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary, Tuesday, July 2. Also to G. W. ("Hap") and Sadie Falconer, who celebrate their 24th anniversary on the same day.

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Synopsis of Meeting of the San Francisco Labor Council, Held Friday Evening, June 28, 1946.

Meeting called to order at 8:30 p. m. by Vice-President Rotell.

Roll Call of Officers—All present; Brother Armstrong acting as vice-president. (President Shelley on leave of absence.)

Approval of Minutes—Minutes of previous meeting approved as printed in the *Labor Clarion*.

Credentials—Referred to the Organizing Committee: Construction and General Laborers' No. 261—Richard Allander, A. Servel; Cooks No. 44—Rene Battaglini, Joe Belardi; Joe Hayes, Fred Heindl, Walter Hurd, William Kilpatrick, Ernest Lavino, C. T. McDonough, James R. Morris, John A. St. Peter; Emergency Hospital Employees No. 803—Daniel Scannell, vice Samuel Updyke; Office Employees No. 3—Minnette Fitzgerald, George Menzel; Painters No. 1158—Howard S. Metzgeras; Paint, Varnish and Lacquer Makers No. 1071—John R. Shoop, Alfred Cook, George Laurens; S. F. City and County Employees No. 747—Molly H. Minudri, Richard M. Meagles Jr.; Sign Painters No. 510—Thomas Rughe, Thomas Eakin, and Technical Engineers No. 11—Charles P. Ferraris.

Report of the Organizing Committee—(Meeting held Friday, June 28.) Meeting called to order at 7:30 p. m. Roll was called and absentees noted. The following were examined and having been found to possess the proper qualifications, they were recommended by your committee to be seated as delegates to this Council: Hotel Service Workers No. 283—John A. Quinn; S. F. Federation of Teachers No. 61—Howard Edminster; Technical Engineers No. 89—Bernyl Reed, and Waiters No. 30—Joe Piccini, Leonard Siemak. Meeting adjourned at 8 p. m. (Report of the committee was concurred in as a whole.)

Communications—Filed: From the American National Red Cross, receipts in the amount of \$846.18, contributed by various local unions. From the Community Chest of San Francisco, receipt in the amount of \$305.32, contributed by various local unions. From the Council of City Employees of San Francisco, thanking Secretary O'Connell for the very fine assistance given their representatives before the Civil Service Commission and the Board of Supervisors. From the American Society for Russian Relief, Inc., thanking the Council for the clothing contributed during their drive. From the Building and Construction Trades Council, minutes of June 20. From California State Federation of Labor, *Weekly News Letter*, dated June 19 and June 26. Communication from Street Carmen, No. 1380, explaining their position and requesting strike sanction. This communication was held for discussion under the report of the executive committee.

Bills were read, approved by the trustees and ordered paid.

Donations—To the Emergency Food-Fund Collection: From Mailers No. 18—\$25; from Plumbers No. 442—\$25; from Shipfitters No. 9—\$25.

Referred to the Executive Committee—From Retail Shoe and Textile Union No. 410, requesting strike sanction against the San Francisco Retailers' Council Stores. Resolution submitted by several delegates, in reference to the construction of a senior high school on the summit of Bernal Heights.

Referred to the Secretary—From Cleaners and Dyers No. 7, advising that they would continue negotiations with the San Francisco Cleaning Plant Owners' Association and their agencies located in the City of San Francisco and would not use the strike sanction unless all other methods fail.

Referred to the Labor Clarion—From the California State Federation of Labor, thanking the committee on arrangements for their splendid service and untiring efforts to make the convention a complete success.

Referred to the Labor Day Committee—from the Allied Printing Trades Council, advising the position of their constituent unions in reference to the parade. From the California State Council of Retail Clerks No. 2, advising the position of their constituent unions in reference to the parade. From the Theatrical Federation advising the position of their constituent unions in reference to the parade. From Pharmacists' No. 838, advising that it will be impossible for their members to participate in the parade.

Delegates Take Note—Telegram from William Green, AFL president, advising all the delegates to wire President Truman to veto the highly objectionable Hobbs Bill. From the Union Label Trades Department advising that "The Patriotism of Samuel Gompers" a dramatized radio program will be broadcast on Thursday, July 4, over the Mutual Broadcasting System, at 3:15 PST.

Report of the Executive Committee—(Meeting held Monday, June 17.) Meeting called to order at 8 p. m. Roll was called and Brothers Johns and Vail were

Purchasing Facts

FROZEN FOODS

The promised pie-in-the-sky is as likely as not to be a quick-frozen, cellophane wrapped model, if the frozen food industry proceeds according to schedule. But for the present, there are still some serious handicaps to be overcome. Consumers Union points out in an article on pre-cooked frozen foods in *Consumer Reports*. Pre-cooked products are currently at the luxury level, as compared with the equivalent canned or fresh products; furthermore, the choice is rather limited, and there are no standards of quality which assure the consumer of consistently good products. CU advises consumers of these products to buy only from stores which have a high turn-over, to inspect packages to make sure that they are properly sealed, to look for government inspection labels on meat products, and to avoid thawing and re-freezing of the foods. Among products rated are prepared meat and fish dishes, vegetables, hors d'œuvres and cherry pie.

WEED KILLERS

The newly-developed 2, 4-D will do a job of killing weeds under certain conditions of use, but it is no miracle-worker, Consumers Union points out. If you're not careful, furthermore, 2, 4-D will exterminate your favorite flowers and shrubs as well as the weeds next to them. The article discusses the pros and cons of other types of weed-killers as well, including "selective sprays" (such as *Sinox*), "translocated poisons" (such as *Zotox*) and flame throwers (such as *Sizz-Weeder*).

present. The other members were excused due to the holding of the State Federation Convention. In the matter of Cracker Bakers No. 125 and their proposed agreement with the National Biscuit Company, Mr. James and another gentleman appeared on behalf of the employer. No other representative of the union appeared, however, they had a communication before the committee requesting a 15-day continuance. Your committee recommends that this matter be held in committee until further notice from the union. In the matter of Furniture Workers' Local No. 3141, Mr. Dolph Urban appeared on behalf of the Employers' Council and Brother Oddone and a committee were present on behalf of the union. After considerable discussion the union's committee agreed to recommend acceptance of the final proposal providing the Labor Council sub-committee attends the union meeting on Thursday night. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p. m. (Report of the committee was concurred in as a whole.)

Report of the Special Meeting of the Executive Meeting—(Meeting held Thursday, June 27.) This meeting was called at the request of the Street Carmen No. 1380; the meeting was attended by Brothers Douglas, Rowan, Davis and O'Brien, representing the Street Carmen. After hearing all points at issue, which is the increase of wages from the City and County of San Francisco for the employees of the municipal railway, your committee appointed a sub-committee of Brothers Goldberger, Rotell, O'Connell and Phillips, to wait on the Mayor to see if an adjustment can be reached in the present situation affecting the Street Carmen. This committee to report back to the special meeting of the executive committee on June 28.

Report of Special Meeting of the Executive Committee—(Meeting held Friday, June 28.) Meeting called to order at 7:30 p. m. Roll was called and absentees noted. The committee met this evening and listened to the report of the sub-committee which had visited the Mayor and that the cause of the Street Carmen is right inasmuch as wages of street carmen throughout the State are higher than now being paid in the City and County of San Francisco or are proposed in the budget for the coming fiscal year. The

S. F. Nondurable Goods May Employment High

Factory employment in nondurable goods manufacturing industries in the San Francisco Bay industrial area last month was at the highest May level on record, Paul Scharrenberg, Director of Industrial Relations, announced. Production workers in nondurable goods industries as a whole numbered 53,700 in May compared with 52,900 a year ago and 46,100 in May 1940.

Employment of 57,200 wage earners this May in durable goods industries compares with 140,500 in May 1945 and 35,100 in May 1940.

Shipyards in the area employed 21,000 production workers in May, off approximately 80 per cent from the May 1945 total of 99,500 but well above the average of 5700 wage earners in 1940.

Rail Shop Unions Expand

HAGERSTOWN, Md. (AFLN)—Remarkable progress by the AFL shopcraft unions in expanding their membership among workers on the Western Maryland was revealed at a meeting of 40 delegates to set up a system federation. Reports at the convention showed that 85 per cent of the shopmen already are full-fledged union members. Leaders expressed confidence that, with formation of the federation, the membership will climb swiftly toward the 100 per cent mark, making the Western Maryland "one of the best organized carriers in the railroad industry."

rates of pay in the various sub-divisions of the State are \$1.20 per hour on the Key Route; \$1.23 in Los Angeles, \$1.23 in San Diego and \$1.21 in Santa Monica, as against the proposal to pay \$1.10 and \$1.15 for the ensuing year in San Francisco. Your committee recommends that the Council demands that the Mayor and those in power immediately devise ways and means to pay the street carmen the prevailing wages. Brother Rotell disagreed with the committee and has served notice of intention to submit a minority report.

Minority Report—Brother Rotell submitted a verbal minority report requesting the Street Carmen be given strike sanction. Motion was made and seconded to adopt; carried. Motion made and seconded to adopt the executive committee report as amended; carried.

Report of Committee on Arrangements for Convention—Delegate Cancilla, chairman, thanked all the delegates who assisted in bringing the convention to a successful conclusion and stated that it is the first time in the history of the convention that no grievances have been reported. Secretary O'Connell commended Brother Cancilla on his splendid work.

Reports of Unions—Delegate Fitzgerald, Office Employees No. 3, reported that there is a new mimeographing service now available, the "Union Mimeographic and Stenographic Service," who are members of this organization. Delegate Douglas, Street Carmen No. 1380, thanked the Council for the splendid support received by their organization.

Announcements—Chairman Rotell announced there would be an interesting program broadcast over KSFO, Saturday, July 6, which would deal with Labor's part in veterans' affairs, and appointed Brother Ted White as a representative of the Council to speak on this program. The secretary announced that there would be a meeting of the executive committee on Monday, July 1, 1946, at 8 p. m.

New Business—Motion was made and seconded to suspend the meeting of the Council next Friday, July 5; that the chair be empowered to call a special meeting in the event it is necessary; carried.

Receipts, \$1,310; disbursements, \$3,223.09.

Meeting adjourned at 11 p. m.

JOHN A. O'CONNELL, Secretary.

WE DON'T PATRONIZE LIST

The concerns listed below are on the "We Don't Patronize" list of the San Francisco Labor Council. Members of labor unions and sympathizers are requested to note this list carefully from week to week:

Adam Hat Stores, Inc., 844 Market, 119 Kearny.	1412 Market St., and the Ford Apartments, 957 Mission St.	Sealey Mattress Company, 6699 San Pablo Ave., Oakland.
Advance Pattern Company, 552 Mission.	Drake Cleaners and Dyers.	Sloane, W. & J.
American Distributing Company.	Farmer Bros.' Coffee.	Smith, L. C., Typewriter Company, 545 Market.
Austin Studio, 833 Market.	Forrester Cornice Works, 269 Potrero.	Speed-E Menu Service, 693 Mission.
Becker Distributing Company.	Gantner & Mattern, 1453 Mission.	Stanford University Hospital, Clay and Webster.
Bruener, John, Company.	Gates Rubber Company, 2700 - 16th St.	Sutro Baths and Skating Rink.
B & G Sandwich Shops.	General Distillers, Ltd., 136 Front St.	Swift & Co.
California Watch Case Company.	Goldstone Bros., Manufacturers of overalls and working men's clothing.	"Time" and "Life" (magazines), products of the unfair Donnelley firm (Chicago).
California Chocolates Company, 137 Grant avenue.	Lucerne Apartments, 766 Sutter.	Underwood Typewriter Company, 531 Market.
Chan Quon, photo engraver, 480 Clay.	National Beauty Salon, 207 Powell.	Wooldridge Tractor Equipment Company, Sunnyvale, California.
Curtis Publishing Co. (Philadelphia), publishers of "Saturday Evening Post," "Ladies' Home Journal," "Country Gentleman."	Navaleet Seed Company, 423 Market.	
Doran Hotels (Include St. Regis, 85 Fourth St.; Mint, 141 Fifth St.; Hale, 939 Mission St.; Land, 936 Mission St.; Hillsdale, 51 Sixth St.; Grand Central,	O'Keefe-Merritt Stove Co., Products, Los Angeles.	
	Pacific Label Company, 1150 Folsom.	
	Remington-Rand, Inc., 509 Market.	
	Romaine Photo Studio, 220 Jones.	
	Royal Typewriter Company, 153 Kearny.	
All non-union independent taxicabs.		
Barber Shops that do not display the shop card of the Journeymen Barbers' Union are unfair.		
Beauty Shops that do not display the shop card of the Hair		
	dressers and Cosmetologists' Department of the Journeymen Barbers' International Union of America are unfair.	
	Locksmith Shops which do not display the union shop card of Federated Locksmiths No. 1331 are unfair.	

"Local AFL Labor Council Most Progressive": Ernst

On Friday evening, June 7, delegates attending the San Francisco Labor Council had the good fortune to be addressed by one of the most progressive leaders of Labor in this Nation. The gentleman addressing the council long rendered service to his craft while a member of Waiters' Union, No. 30, whom he represented as a delegate. No activity of the council missed his sage advice and no problem was too big for him to tackle. We refer, of course, to Hugo Ernst, now general president and secretary-treasurer of the Hotel and Restaurant Employees' International Alliance and Bartenders' International League of America. Mr. Ernst addressed the council as follows:

"This is the university that gave me my start in the Labor Movement. The San Francisco Labor Council is without a question of a doubt the most active and most progressive council of all that I have visited.

"I am a former delegate from Waiters' No. 30; every week when the *Labor Clarion* hits Cincinnati, it is on my desk separately.

"I was tickled to death when I read the returns of the election here in the State on Tuesday (June 4). I was very gratified to see that John F. Shelley received such a flattering vote. I'm quite sure that with the support of Labor throughout the State of California and here in the Labor Council that Jack is going to be the next Lieutenant Governor. It is gratifying to me that one of the ranks has finally received recognition that is due to him and I also know that we of Labor are not going to be disappointed when he takes the office of Lieutenant Governor and higher offices. I was also very pleased to see that Tom Maloney was elected in the primaries and that while he was in politics in Sacramento that I don't know of any time when he has failed Labor, and so I say to you boys and girls that after all Labor is gradually coming into its own.

"I believe that we need the young blood to mix up with the old-timers. This makes a wonderful mixture without which no Labor Movement can thrive. May I just for a brief moment touch on a serious matter. The two telegrams that were received from President Green tonight asking us to send telegrams to President Truman on important matters. The Case Bill is particularly important to us that all of the unions as well as many delegates will respond to this urgent call and send telegrams requesting the President to veto this Bill.

"I have opportunities to watch the laws that are being put into enactment. I have traveled in many States where strict Labor legislation is enforced. Labor in all of these States is gasping for breath . . . in Florida, Colorado, Arkansas, etc.

"Capital is jealous because Labor has made a little progress since 1932 and they are giving us a terrific battle. We have to watch this very closely; we have to be alert and watch with every ounce of our strength and brain power. We resent the ham-stringing of Labor. These people have to realize that the strikers themselves are more inconvenienced than the so-called public because it is no child's play to be out on strike. The workers are the ones who are inconvenienced. So I say it is our very life that is at stake and we should be very careful not to let these people get away with anything that will mean the strangulation of Labor. Now, with these few remarks, I hope that you will forgive me for taking up your time. So I wish you all God speed and good luck and when Senator Shelley is elected as Lieutenant Governor, that we get a new president in the San Francisco Labor Council that will be just as militant."

Dept. of Labor Ruling

WASHINGTON—Operation of elevators, hoists, high-lift trucks and other dangerous power-driven hoisting equipment by boys and girls under 18 years of age is prohibited in an order proposed by the Chief of the Children's Bureau, U. S. Department of Labor. Prepared under authority of the Fair Labor Standards Act, the order would become effective August 1, 1946. Public hearing to take testimony for and against the restriction began June 25.

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Clarion Calls

BY TEMPLE SNOOPER

Because of the street car situation this past week, a lot of people we know were saying: "Oh, my aching back!", because of the fact that they had to do some walking . . . and we know just what they mean!

Morris Levy is off on a three weeks vacation; rumor has it that he is going down to Los Angeles and vicinity and if we know anything about Morris, we think he'll play the ponies while there.

Have you ever noticed how Marguerite Finkenbinder calls everyone "Darling?"

Al Wynn left this week on a fishing trip vacation . . . so upon his return we'll probably hear some stories of the ones that got away.

Law Can't Ban Strikes In Democracy, Says Taft

TAMIMENT, Pa. (AFLN)—Warning that "strikes cannot be prohibited without interfering with the basic freedom essential to our form of government" was sounded by Senator Taft, of Ohio, who took sharp issue with Administration Labor policies.

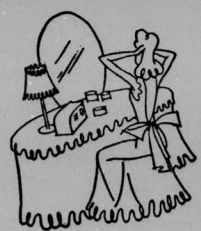
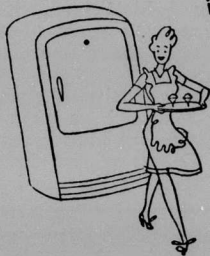
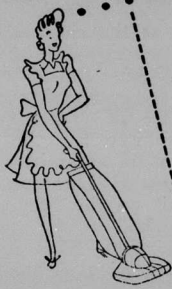
Addressing the 12th annual Tamiment Social and Economic Institute, conducted by the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union (AFL), the Ohioan declared:

"A democratic government cannot prohibit strikes and remain a democratic government."

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